



IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant:

Tadao KANUMA

Title:

SIDE AIRBAG

Appl. No.:

09/924,943

Appl. Filing Date:

08/09/2001

Examiner:

A. Singh

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REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION (RCE) TRANSMITTAL

Mail Stop RCE Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 of the above-identified application. This RCE and the enclosed items listed below are being filed prior to the earliest of: (1) payment of the issue fee (unless a petition under 37 C.F.R. § 1.313 is granted); (2) abandonment of the application; or (3) the filing of a notice of appeal to the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Federal Circuit under 35 U.S.C. §141, or the commencement of a civil action under 35 U.S.C. §145 or §146 (unless the appeal or civil action is terminated).

- 1. <u>Submission required under 37 C.F.R. §1.114</u>: (check items that apply)
 - a. Previously submitted:
 - [X] Please enter and consider the amendment and/or reply previously filed on January 9, 2007.

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- b. Enclosed are:
- [X] Amendment/Reply.

Miscellaneous:

[] Suspension of action of the above-identified application is requested under 37 C.F.R. § 1.103(c) for a period of __ months.

The filing fee is calculated below:

	Claims as Amended		Previously Paid For	Extra Preser	Claims nt		Rate		Fee Totals
RCE Fee 1.17(e):							\$790.00	=	\$790.00
Total Claims:	27	-	28	= 0		x	\$50.00	=	\$0.00
Independents	3	-	3	= 0		x	\$200.00	=	\$0.00
First p	resentation o	of an	y Multiple	Dependent	Claims:	+	\$360.00	=	\$0.00
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[] Applicant hereby petitions for an extension of time under 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a) for the total number of months checked below:

\$0.00	\$120.00	Extension for response filed within the first month:	[]		
\$0.00	\$450.00	Extension for response filed within the second month:	[]		
\$0.00	\$1,020.00	Extension for response filed within the third month:	[]		
\$0.00	\$1,590.00	Extension for response filed within the fourth month:	[]		
\$0.00	\$2,160.00	Extension for response filed within the fifth month:	[]		
\$0.00	EXTENSION FEE SUBTOTAL:				
\$0.00	EXTENSION FEE ALREADY PAID: -				
\$0.00	EXTENSION FEE TOTAL				
\$790.00	CLAIMS AND EXTENSION FEE TOTAL:				
\$0.00	Small Entity Fees Apply (subtract ½ of above):				
\$0.00	Suspension of action requested under 37 C.F.R. § 1.103(c)				
\$790.00	TAL FEE:	TC			

A credit card payment form in the amount of \$790.00 to cover the filing fee is enclosed.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees which may be required regarding this application under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16-1.17, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 19-0741. Should no proper payment be enclosed herewith, as by the credit card payment form being unsigned, providing incorrect information resulting in a rejected credit card transaction, or even entirely missing, the Commissioner is authorized to charge the unpaid amount to Deposit Account No. 19-0741.

Please direct all correspondence to the undersigned attorney or agent at the address indicated below.

Respectfully submitted,

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